

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A device for manual control of the position of switching means having two extreme positions A and C and an intermediate position B, provided with a crank comprising a crank pin and controlling the electrical powering of a motor for operating a closure, privacy or sun-protection element, which device comprises a slider that can move in translation, has a specific rest position and is provided with tracks in which the crank pin is displaced, and wherein, when the slider is displaced toward its specific rest position, the tracks allow the crank pin to be guided toward three zones (A, B and C) of the slider so that the crank pin can reach three distinct stable positions for the same specific rest position of the slider, these three distinct stable positions corresponding to the three positions of the switching means (A, B, and C).
2. (Currently Amended) The manual control device ~~(30; 40; 50)~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein the slider comprises a track ~~(103)~~ allowing the displacement of the crank pin when the switching means are displaced from one of said positions toward another.
3. (Currently Amended) The manual control device ~~(30; 40; 50)~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein the slider has at least one means ~~(51a, 51b, 24a, 24b)~~ for allowing the movement of the crank pin from a first track ~~(20)~~ to a second track ~~(21)~~ via/through said at least one means and for prohibiting the movement of the crank pin from the second track ~~(21)~~ to the first track ~~(20)~~

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4. (Currently Amended) The manual control device ~~(50)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said means comprises an elastic tab ~~(51a, 51b)~~.

5. (Previously Presented) The manual control device according to claim 4, wherein said elastic tab is articulated about an axis parallel to the bottom of the tracks.

6. (Currently Amended) The manual control device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the means allowing the movement of the crank pin from a first track ~~(20)~~ to a second track ~~(21)~~ and for prohibiting the movement of the crank pin from the second track ~~(21)~~ to the first track ~~(20)~~ comprises a ramp ~~(27)~~ and steps ~~(24a, 24b)~~ creating tracks ~~(20, 21)~~ having a plurality of levels as compared to the direction of the axis of the crank pin and means ~~(17; 41)~~ for returning the crank pin to the bottom of these tracks ~~(20, 21)~~.

7. (Currently Amended) The manual control device as claimed in claim 6, wherein the slider comprises tracks interacting with the crank pin ~~(70)~~ having a shoulder for constituting a circuit that makes it possible to bring the switching means ~~(42, 43, 45)~~ into the following positions by means of successive actions on the slider ~~(61)~~: intermediate position B; first extreme position A; intermediate position B; second extreme position C; intermediate position B.

8. (Original) A process for manual control of the position of switching means of a device as claimed in claim 1, wherein, by means of successive actions on the slider, the switching means

are displaced into the following stable positions: intermediate position B; first extreme position A; intermediate position B; second extreme position C; intermediate position B.